

One Hundred Fifth Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,
the seventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven*

An Act

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt internationally adopted children 10 years of age or younger from the immunization requirement in section 212(a)(1)(A)(ii) of such Act.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. EXEMPTION FOR INTERNATIONALLY ADOPTED CHILDREN
10 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER FROM IMMUNIZATION
REQUIREMENT.**

Section 212(a)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by inserting “except as provided in subparagraph (C),” after “(ii)”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) EXCEPTION FROM IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT FOR
ADOPTED CHILDREN 10 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER.—Clause
(ii) of subparagraph (A) shall not apply to a child who—

“(i) is 10 years of age or younger,

“(ii) is described in section 101(b)(1)(F), and

“(iii) is seeking an immigrant visa as an immediate
relative under section 201(b),

if, prior to the admission of the child, an adoptive parent or prospective adoptive parent of the child, who has sponsored the child for admission as an immediate relative, has executed an affidavit stating that the parent is aware of the provisions of subparagraph (A)(ii) and will ensure that, within 30 days of the child’s admission, or at the

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earliest time that is medically appropriate, the child will receive the vaccinations identified in such subparagraph.”.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*